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Consideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended to correct minor errors therein and to conform with the new formal drawings submitted herewith. No new matter has been added. It is respectfully requested that the amendments to the specification be approved and entered.

Submitted herewith are new formal drawings, 7 sheets, Figs. 1-9B, which should replace the informal drawings presently on file. The drawings have been amended as indicated in red on the accompanying copies. Specifically:

1. In Fig. 2A, section line designations have been changed, and portions thereof have been clarified, consistent with the original disclosure;
2. Fig. 4A has been amended to be consistent with the original disclosure, and to add section lines;
3. Fig. 4B has been amended to add section lines;
4. Fig. 8 has been amended so as to eliminate the connection between two portions thereof and to correct reference numerals ("456" was changed to --464--; and "454" was changed to --468--) for consistency throughout; and

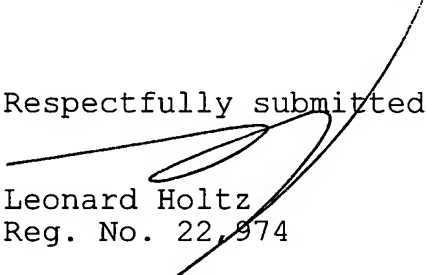
5. Fig. 8a was added to show the circled enlarged portion originally shown in Fig. 8, and section lines have been added.

No new matter has been added. It is respectfully requested that the new formal drawings submitted herewith, and the consequential amendments to the specification, be approved and entered.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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FIG. 1

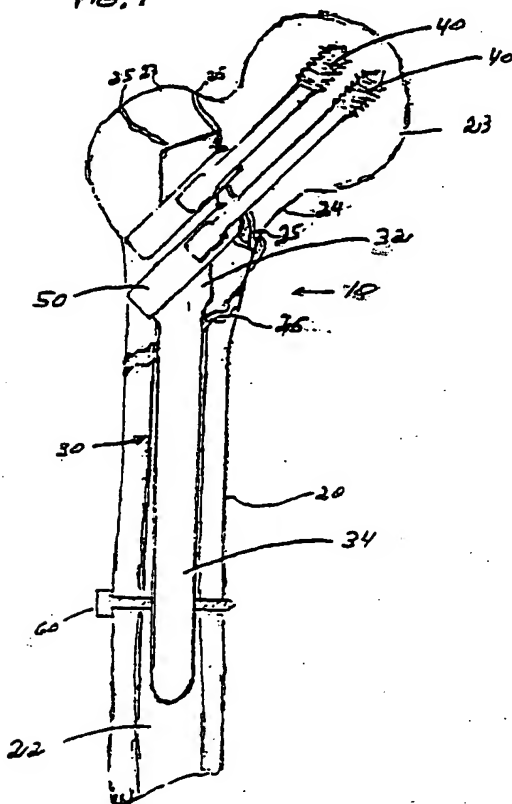


FIG. 2A

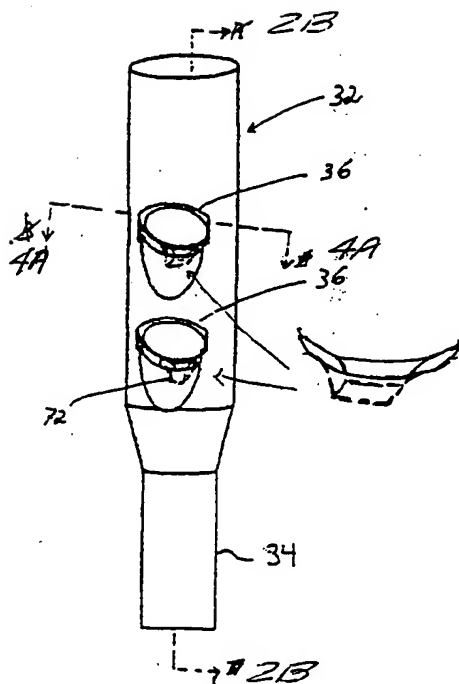


FIG. 2B

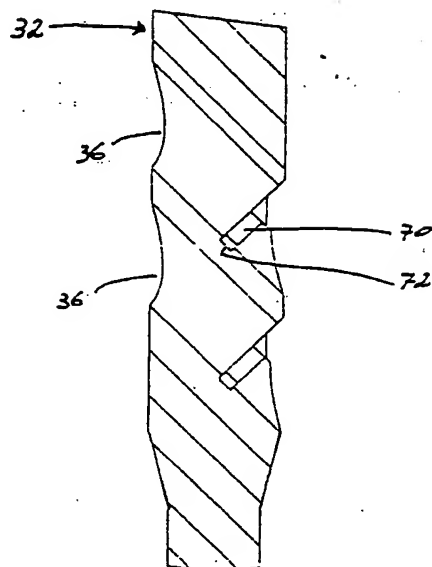


FIG. 3

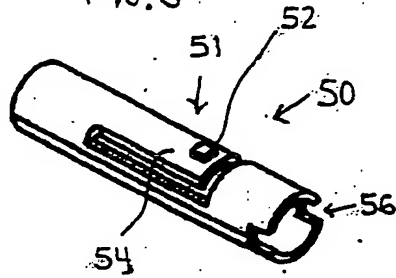


FIG. 4A

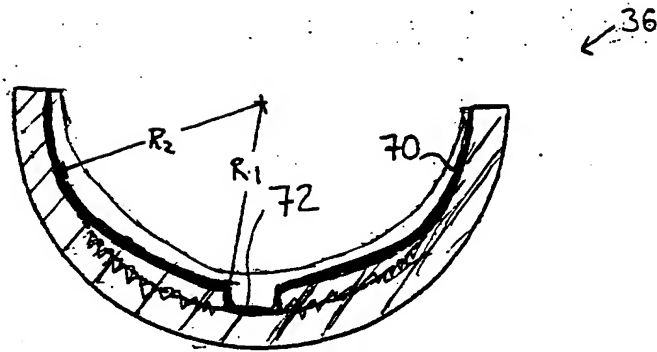


FIG. 4B

